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**An Evening Echo.**  
All solitary enjoyments quickly pall, or become painful, so that, perhaps, no more insufferable misery can be conceived than that which must follow incommunicable privileges.—DR. SHARPE.

**Sound Advice.**  
The Cumberland, Md., Daily News hands out some sound advice about treating children for sore throats. The reason why is that parents should immediately consult a reputable physician at the very beginning of the ailment. Says the News:

Don't trifle with your child's sore throat. It may be harmless—and it may be the center of infection from which diphtheria will spread through an entire neighborhood. Antitoxin is an almost absolute cure for diphtheria—when given in time. It is likewise a proved preventive, acting in this regard like a temporary vaccination. With such an agent in the hands of medical science, all that is needed is care and co-operation on the part of parents and teachers to wipe out the diphtheria scourge altogether.

**Emigration and Good Roads.**  
Observes the Preston County News:

It is being freely stated that the reason why so many young people are leaving the state is because of bad roads. This is tommy rot. Our roads are, in most instances, very bad, but not so much so as to cause young folks to leave their happy homes.

It would probably be a little far fetched to say that a perfect stream of young men is pouring out of this state into western states on account of bad roads, but it is a fact that many young men of the central section of the state have gone into the farming sections of Texas, California and Florida who doubtless would have remained on their native heath had the agricultural possibilities been as great or nearly as promising as they are in the sections into which they went. The Telegram knows of several of these young men and they are receiving the newspaper regularly in their new homes.

It was the contention of the editor in the southern part of the state to whose comment the Telegram recently referred and who made a similar complaint that such young men were likely to be building more roads in West Virginia if they had had the promise of agricultural development that good roads would have brought them. No man can run a farm very profitably if the farm is isolated two thirds of the year by long stretches of mud holes. Some sections of the state are awakening to the need of better roads and where good roads are being built there is a marked decrease in the emigration. The Parkersburg State Journal, for example, declares that young men are not now leaving Wood county because it has good roads and is building more. "Young men or old men either are not doing this from Parkersburg and Wood county but it is also true, we are getting rid of our bad roads the most rapidly of any county in the state. Many miles of solid paved ones are already in evidence for this and we are going right ahead to build more. Further, we make this liberal proposition: If Harrison, Doddridge and Ritchie will join in we will have that old pike leading out of this city paved all the way to Clarksburg. Things will just hum along it and no doubt a hundred or so feeders will be constructed in it."

**Water Power Dams.**  
Says the Shepherdstown Register: "There seems to be a good deal of excitement over the breaking of the dam on Stony river, in this state, last week, and though no person was hurt, a great many people were so badly scared that they are now clamoring for action to prevent the rebuilding of this particular dam and the construction of others that are proposed in various parts of West Virginia. We think that the construction of dams for the purpose of developing power should not be stopped, for ultimately this form of energy must turn the wheels of the nation. Safeguards must be provided, however, and the

family construction of the Stony river dam should lead to regulations that will make such structures absolutely safe.

"We admit that we live above the high water mark, but we believe in the development of power from West Virginia's streams." What opposition there is to the construction of water power dams should be directed against the manner of their construction and not, as the Register says, against the construction of the dams themselves. These things are a great boon to the people as they provide motive power and electricity much cheaper than by any other method. Nor, inasmuch as there is no prospect of government or state ownership of such enterprises, should opposition to the construction of dams rest against corporations, either private or quasi public, simply because they are corporations. A big outlay of capital is required for such enterprises and it is only by means of a community of interests as provided by a corporation or a similar company that the necessary capital can be provided for the work. It should be remembered that even private concerns which develop power from waterways necessarily must employ a large number of people in the development of the power as well as furnish products for the market or a useful service to the public.

But, so far as the opposition is directed toward the methods of construction, it is just as timely, and the breaking of the Stony river dam conveys a lesson which it is hoped will impress the public service commission and other officials as forcibly as it has a large proportion of the general public. Big water power dams should be strongly and securely built and it is the business of the state to see that they are so constructed, in view of which it would be well for the state to provide for a constant inspection of the materials used and the methods of construction whenever a dam is building.

**WHAT OTHER EDITORS SAY**

**Not Known Here.**  
The honeymoon of Mr. and Mrs. Sayre is over. Let's see, who are the Sayres?—Wheeling News.

**Why Shouldn't We?**  
If A. Carnegie, with only \$25,000,000, can be so hopeful and happy and cheerful, why shouldn't the rest of us perk up and take life easy?—Wheeling Telegraph.

**Almost.**  
A mistake in names precipitated the recent railroad strike. The error proved almost as disastrous as a typographical blunder in the society column.—Bluefield Telegraph.

**They Sure Will.**  
It has been truly said that if you ever do reach the point in business where you do not have to advertise somebody else will own the business.—Bluefield Times.

**Doom Is Sealed.**  
To discourage the tango Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish has introduced the "innovation waltz," in which the dancers are not permitted to come closer than one foot to one another. It doesn't require much of a prophet to foretell the finish of that dance.—Wheeling Register.

**A Poor Alibi at That.**  
Secretary Redfield, in a special plea for the Democratic party, does not make a plea of confession and avoidance. He does not attempt to disprove that a crime has been committed. He does not attempt to fix the responsibility. He comes into court with the culprit's plea of an alibi. Admitting the depression that has followed free trade the secretary bows himself out of court with the excuse that "it is world-wide."—Parkersburg Dispatch-News.

**Who Could Have?**  
Although it was diplomatically, discreetly, carefully and equivocally announced as early as last Thursday that Senator Chilton had sent in to the president the names of Smith and Osborne, with the recommendation that they be named United States marshals for the Northern and Southern districts of West Virginia, respectively, the president has not seen fit to transport the nominations to the Senate for confirmation, which, some believe, means that there has come a hitch in the proceedings. Now who can have reached the president's ear with another name or two?—Huntington Herald-Dispatch.

**SAVINGS OF A TUT**

If Lincoln Beachey is in such an awful hurry to visit the Happy Hunting Ground he ought to join the Mexican federal army.

It is reported that Huerta is preparing to flee from Mexico. Can you imagine John Lind falling upon his neck and weeping at the pier?

While sanity commissions are being appointed to examine Harry Thaw and Hans Schmidt it would not be amiss to investigate Lincoln Beachey's condition along this line.

Now that John K. Tener has been elected president of the National League and Colonel Roosevelt has been suggested as president of the Federal League, the announcement of

Hans Wagner's candidacy for governor of Pennsylvania will be in order.

An exchange wants to know what has become of the farmer who used to come to town in an oxen-drawn cart. For the information of the questioner it might be stated that the farmer in question was killed when his engine "went dead" 1,200 feet above the ground.

## Coming Events in Clarksburg

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 28, 29, 30 and 31.—Traffic in Souls, motion pictures, Robinson Grand theater.  
Monday, February 2.—"San Toy," vaudeville of Marcato Music Club, night, Robinson Grand theater.  
Tuesday, February 3.—"Bought and Paid For," Robinson Grand theater.  
Wednesday, February 4.—"Girl of the Underworld," afternoon and night, Robinson Grand theater.  
Saturday, February 14.—James K. Hackett in "A Grain of Dust," Robinson Grand theater.  
February 16 to 21 inclusive.—Champlain Stock Company, Robinson Grand theater.  
Monday, February 17.—Recital by Miss Christine Miller, contralto, First Baptist church.  
Wednesday, March 4.—"The Firefly," Robinson Grand theater.

## WHILE WE WAIT

Rhyme and meter from Lowell's "The Present Crisis."  
The groves were God's first temples.—Goldsmith.

Once to every human being,  
As they journey forth to town,  
Comes the thought that at Grasselli  
They must at the weather frown.  
Some great man who builds the de-  
pots,  
Offering up his little mite  
For the M. V. T. Car Company,  
Makes us shiver there with fright.  
Yet that choice goes by forever  
If we'd stand out there all night.  
This refuge with such great splendor,  
Covered with a three-ply roof,  
Is for Bridgeport, quite a relief,  
Not from it we'd stand aloof.  
Some great cause keeps us from wan-  
dering  
(Offering as it does its heat)  
From beneath its sheltered portals  
We'll stay there and keep our seats  
That's our choice to sit there waiting  
By the fire to warm our feet. (?)

Oh, to town some people wander,  
Just to pause along the way  
And behold the noble temple,  
There erected on the clay.  
Some great men who travel often,  
Men who sell their wares and goods,  
When they land in quaint old Bridge-  
port,  
Are in, indeed the best of moods;  
For at the station they have pon-  
dered,  
Like they ponder o'er their foods.  
Truth forever is the motto:  
Wrong no longer is the creed;  
And these mottoes still we cling to,  
For a station, we don't need?  
Where we change cars at Grasselli,  
Give us out-rooms, then we're  
freed!  
—W. D. TAYLOR.

## LINEMAN FALLS

Distance of Thirty Feet at Sa-  
lem and is Very Seriously  
Injured as Result.

SALEM, Jan. 27.—Merrill McKain, aged 18 years, son of George (McKain), met with a serious accident last evening while engaged in his duties as a lineman for the Consolidated Telephone Company. He and Harry Wilson were placing a cross beam on a pole, when McKain slipped and fell to the pavement below a distance of thirty feet. He received serious injuries on the shoulders and back. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital at Parkersburg for treatment. Word today from the hospital is that his condition is grave.

**DAVIS' BILLS PASS.**

(SPECIAL TO THE TELEGRAM)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 27.—Congressman Neely has been notified of the passage by the House of two pension bills introduced by John W. Davis, when he was in Congress and for which Mr. Neely became sponsor after his election. They are for Nathan Wright, of Shinnston, and David R. Gardner, of Hancock county.

The material taken from the Panama canal would make a pile higher than the Woolworth building in New York, and 1,350 feet square at the base.

**Ayer's Hair Vigor**  
Then you will have a clean and healthy scalp. No more hair loss. No more rough, scraggly hair. Does not color. Ask Your Doctor. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

# ORCHARDS

And Vineyards Have the Coal Miners in the Pocahontas Mining Region.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Jan. 27.—The majority of the miners of the Pocahontas region have no intention of seeking employment elsewhere for many years. Indeed, these miners do not even expect to move, at least within a decade, from the houses, in which they are now living, thus showing that they are contented with their employers, their housing and the labor prospects in that section of West Virginia.

Striking testimony of this fact is given in the news that hundreds of families are setting out vineyards and orchards on plots which they have rented for a nominal sum. Some of their vineyards and orchards are three or four years old and are therefore in bearing condition. Scores of others have been set out within the past year and, of course, they will have no harvest for a couple of years yet.

The majority of the white miners in this region come from Italy and Hungary and they were agriculturists in their native lands. They do not see any reason for not seeking other products because they are earning more money as miners in this country than they ever could have hoped to earn in Europe by tilling the soil.

At Elkhorn and Crozer one can see on the sides of the hills patches of ground fenced in, filled with neatly pruned and secured trained grape vines. On other spots there are peach, apple, pear and other fruit trees regularly laid out. The most of the grape vines have been imported from the countries whence the miners came.

But tilling the soil is not confined to the whites. Hundreds of negro miners of the Pocahontas coal fields devote their energy to gardening. Far up on the tops of the mountain where the land is level, is limited areas, the negro miners work as chief miners over it. They raise the vegetables they were used to in old Virginia, North Carolina and other southern states. They are not much given for fruit raising. They do not even raise many watermelons. But they raise cabbages, potatoes, beans and the like. By this soil tilling, in their leisure hours, the miners in the Pocahontas field have materially reduced the cost of living and are increasing their savings accordingly.

**SALEM**  
(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE)  
SALEM, Jan. 27.—C. Aubrey Ford, of Cleveland, O., is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Ford, of West Main street.

F. R. Cook has gone to Parkersburg and from there will go to Jackson, O., and other points in that state.  
The Rev. C. M. Robertson, of Buckhannon, was in Salem Saturday night and preached to a large congregation at the Baptist church. The Baptist congregation is on the lookout for a new minister to take charge of this field, about April 1, when the Rev. Mr. Woolter will quit this pastorate. The ordination of baptism was administered the six ladies at the evening service.

The basketball game here Saturday night between the West Union High school girls and the Salem High school girls resulted in a score of 12 to 19 in favor of the Salem girls.

Mr. Weil, an aged member of the Belgian colony, was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery Monday.

E. B. Robinson was a business visitor to Parkersburg Saturday.

## Do You PLAY FAIR Mr. Storekeeper?

Of course you would resent any idea that you did not play fair with your customers.  
But do you play fair with the manufacturers who help you? Do you play fair with yourself? When a manufacturer places his advertising in the newspapers of your town and makes a market for you do you back him up?  
Do you let the public know you have the goods?  
If not, why not?  
This is a line of questions you should ask yourself until you find a satisfactory answer.  
The right answer will go far towards building your business and increasing your sales in 1914.  
The dollar wagon is starting. Now is a good time to climb aboard!  
THE DAILY TELEGRAM solicits correspondence with manufacturers interested in newspaper advertising and co-operative dealer work.

Wonderful values are offered in this January sale of Carpets, Rugs and Curtains.

**EVENTUALLY YOU WILL TRADE AT The Watts-Lamberd Co.**

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We Give "S & H" Green Trading Stamps with Cash Purchases

**Better Values Were Never Offered In A January Sale of Ladies' and Misses' Coats, Furs, Carpets, Rugs, Curtains, Blankets, Comforts, Brass Beds and all kinds of White Goods**

## Many Beautiful New Spring Fabrics Now On Display

Large shipments of the famous Burton Fabrics comprising the latest materials for the coming season.

35c BURTON'S NEW CLOTHS. 25c  
A variety of checks and styles.  
A most excellent cloth. A combination of Ratine and Crepe. Neat stripes and checks in assorted colors. Regular price 35c yard.  
FINE COTTON CREPE. 25c  
Soft, cotton Crepes, in a variety of colors including Black, White, Cream, Navy, Sky, New Blue, Copenhagen, Lavender, Old Rose, Pink, Cardinal. One of the most popular new fabrics, beautiful mercerized finish, all new.  
MIDDY BLOUSES. \$1.00  
New Stocks—All Sizes.  
The best Middy Blouse made for the price. Good quality White Galatea Cloth with Navy collars and cuffs. All sizes from 8 to 20.

**THE REASON WHY**

“However desirable increased production on farms may be from the consumer's standpoint, it does not follow that such increased production will result in any increase in the cash income to the farmer or lower prices for the consumer.”—Agriculture Department report.

## NEW NAME

Is Given an Insurance Company of This State to Do Away With Confusion.

PARKERSBURG, Jan. 27.—From the office of J. D. Starkey general agent for the Southern States Mutual Life Insurance Company, it was announced Saturday that at a meeting of the stockholders of the company held at Charleston several days ago, it was decided to change the name of the company. On account of the fact that so many other insurance companies have the Southern in their names, it has been confusing and the company will be known as the George Washington Life Insurance Company. It will start under this name July 1 and its growth is assured.  
Among other business transacted at the stockholders' meeting the annual report of President Harrison B. Smith was read. It showed a general increase in the business during the last year, which is gratifying to the stockholders and the thousands of policy holders of the company. Although the company has been established only eight years, it has had a very solid growth and had the backing of some of the biggest business men in the state. It bids fair to become one of the state's leading business organizations. A. B. White, of this city, is one of the members of the board of directors.  
A police canvass in Kansas City shows that 148 women disappeared from that city in six months.

## DIRECTORS

Are Duly Elected by the Stockholders of the Elks Company.

The stockholders of the Elks Company elected a board of directors as follows Monday night: V. L. Highland, Charles F. Keiser, H. Arthur Heinze, Archie Crawford, H. Frank Horr, George L. Dunham, John J. Denham, Patrick H. Shields and Charles L. Hickman.  
The board will meet later and organize.  
The first flag to fly through the Panama canal will be that of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

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